

RECESS IS TAKEN UNTIL MONDAY

Rate Hearing Still Engages the Attention of the Corporation Commission.

PLANT MAY FINISH TUESDAY

And the Adjournment Will Then Be Taken Until June 25th. Harmonious Day.

With Mr. A. H. Plant, controller of the Southern Railway, still on the stand on cross-examination, the State Corporation Commission, at 5.30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, took a recess until 11 o'clock Monday. At the request of counsel on both sides, it was announced by Chairman Crump that after the completion of Mr. Plant's testimony, which Mr. Braxton said would be probably next Tuesday, a further recess would be taken until Tuesday, June 26th.

There were no striking features in yesterday's session, unless it was the searching cross-examination, through which Mr. Braxton put the witness all during the day. There were no objections by counsel, and no sharp debates, involving fine legal points, as has been the case on several previous days. The session was harmonious throughout, and all parties seemed to be in an agreeable mood.

It was about 11.30 o'clock when the commission convened, and after some discussion as to a recess, it was announced that at the conclusion of Mr. Plant's testimony, which will be early next week, the commission will adjourn until Tuesday, June 26th.

Mr. Braxton resumed his cross-examination of Mr. Plant, and asked the witness if he would file statements in evidence later of certain issues of stock of his company, and the witness said he would.

He was asked to explain what items were included under the head of general expenses in 1905, which he did.

Asked as to Salaries.

Mr. Braxton wished to know what salaries were included in the salary item of \$234,133, and the witness said this would be hard to do, as there were fluctuations, and that to some extent the salaries were charged in part to other properties. He could not, for these reasons, furnish a tabulated statement giving the individual salaries included in the item.

"Do all of the salaries of your general officers appear on your pay roll?"

"They do."

"Will you kindly file a copy of your pay roll for general officers in 1905?"

"I will."

"Will you please explain what items are included under the head of repairs and maintenance of roadway, amounting to \$1,110,000 and appearing in your annual report of 1905?"

In answer to this question, witness read from the report of the Interstate Commerce Commission, and the witness was asked to explain the items of them having reference to keeping the roadway in repair.

"It seems that your company spent in 1905 for maintenance of way and structure on all its lines \$6,458,568. Do you understand that this was necessary to keep the road in its original condition, or was it to substantially improve the property?"

"I should say that this was necessary to keep the road in the condition it was at the beginning of the year."

"Mr. Plant, taking your several annual statements, since the organization of your road, we find the following items charged to maintenance of way and structure:

June 30, 1895.....\$2,978,245

June 30, 1896.....3,358,699

June 30, 1897.....2,920,190

June 30, 1898.....2,964,917

June 30, 1899.....3,435,530

June 30, 1900.....4,665,231

June 30, 1901.....4,136,718

(St. Louis Division excluded.)

June 30, 1902.....5,787,149

June 30, 1903.....5,732,190

June 30, 1904.....7,006,356

June 30, 1905.....6,458,568

Total.....\$40,565,923

"Do these figures include the cost of maintenance of way and structure of all the lines of the company save the one you have excluded?"

"With the one exception this is true."

Miles Operated.

"What was the miles operated by your company in 1905?"

"Approximately 4,136 miles."

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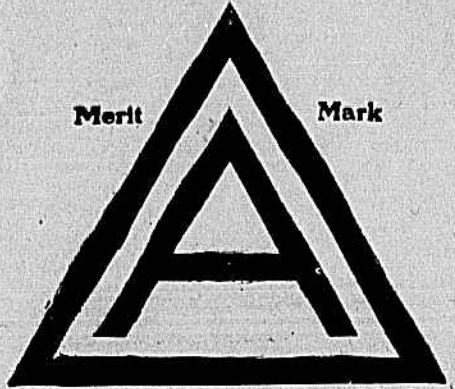
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THE TEACHERS ELECT OFFICERS

Superintendent J. A. Mathewson, of Durham, Made President of Association.

ADDRESS ON NATURE STUDY

Superintendent Joyner Declares Compulsory Attendance Necessary.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

RALPHIGH, N. C., June 14.—The North Carolina Teachers' Assembly to-day elected officers as follows: President, Superintendent J. A. Mathewson, of Durham; First Vice-President, Thomas R. Foy, of Guilford; Secretary and Treasurer, R. D. W. Cannon, Raleigh; Vice-Presidents, W. J. Martin, Davidson; J. A. McLeod, Mebane; W. S. Spilnes, Winston-Salem; F. P. Hall, Gastonia; Miss Annie Wetmore, Greensboro; Mrs. W. C. Brooks, Elizabeth City.

The morning session was devoted to three addresses, by Dr. Edward F. Bigelow, of Stamford, Conn., editor of St. Nicholas Magazine, on "Nature Study"; Superintendent J. Y. Joyner, on "Educational Progress of the Year in North Carolina"; and Dr. E. W. Ekins, of Wake Forest, who took the place of President W. J. L. Poter, of that college.

A declaration of Superintendent Joyner in favor of rural high schools and that North Carolina will be compelled to adopt compulsory attendance laws to rid itself of illiterate adults was received with marked approval.

DURHAM DEMOCRATS.

J. Crawford Biggs Nominated for Judge.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

DURHAM, N. C., June 14.—The Democrats of the Ninth Judicial District met in Durham to-day at noon for the purpose of nominating a judge and solicitor for this district. J. Crawford Biggs, of Durham, was nominated for judge, and received the nomination for judge of the first ballot, with 20 votes. Judge B. H. Shaw, of Greensboro, received 7 votes, and M. B. Gattis, of Hillsboro, came last with 20 votes.

After the nomination for judge, the name of Solicitor A. L. Brooks, as solicitor to succeed himself, was placed before the convention. There was no other nomination, and a motion was made to suspend the rules of the convention, and nominated Mr. Brooks by acclamation. This was done by a rising vote.

The executive committee of this judicial district was then appointed, and is composed of the following from Judge on speculative session: Alamance, A. M. Garfield; Durham, H. A. Foustee; Guilford, John M. Wilson; Granville, W. A. Deven; Person, J. A. Long, and Orange, Frank Naah.

The attendance at the convention was large and enthusiastic, and all felt that

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